



ALEXANDRIA.

THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 9.

The St. Paul Globe says: "The democratic party is capable of making a nomination to suit itself, without regard to whether it is Hill or Cleveland, or any body else. New York is a big State, with a big electoral vote, but the democratic party is bigger than New York." Rarely have more truth and wisdom been condensed in fewer words or been more timely. As the Southern States supply nearly all the democratic electoral votes, the democratic Presidential nominee should be from one of those States; but the North is not yet sufficiently nationalized to warrant the risk of putting that right to a practical test. But the West is full of material for a sound, true blue, and old time democratic Presidential nominee; and the next one should come from that section. The democratic party has not profited much, since the war, either by democratic Presidential candidates or democratic Presidents from New York, and to select its next nominee from that State would be suicidal, as, of the only two possible ones from there, Cleveland could not carry either the Tammany or the labor vote, and the mugwumps would desert in a body if Hill were selected.

In RICHMOND nearly nine thousand dollars of license taxes have been paid by taxpayers of coupons; in Petersburg nearly twenty thousand have been so paid; in Lynchburg almost all the taxpayers are using coupons, and in this city, and in many other parts of the State, the same thing is being done. When poor tax payers see their rich neighbors pay their tax bills by a simple tender of coupons, which they buy for fifty cents on the dollar, with the privilege of subsequently lending the same to other people, for the same purpose, or of keeping them and paying next year's taxes with them also, is it at all strange that they should do the same? On the contrary, wouldn't it be more than strange if they did not do so, especially as they also see that their rich neighbors are sustained in their action by the courts of the United States, the decisions of which, no matter what they may have been prior to 1861, now override those of State courts? The license tax collected this year does not amount to one fourth the sum collected up to the corresponding date of last year. Yes, it would have been better if the offer of the creditors had been accepted.

SOME VIRGINIANS now say that the persistent efforts of the State's creditors to make her receive her own coupons in payment of taxes is provoking, and tends to induce her to repudiate the whole of her debt. Would any of the Virginians referred to, holding the note of a neighbor for a hundred dollars, but owing him three dollars, think he would provoke that neighbor and induce him to repudiate the note by asking permission to credit it with the amount of the debt? But what the creditors are doing is not even as provoking as such a mild request would be; for while it would not be provided in the note that small debts due by the holder to the drawer should be credited thereon, it is provided in the Virginia bonds that the coupons of those bonds shall be received in payment of debts due Virginia. The way the subject of the Virginia debt is treated by some Virginians who talk and write rationally, at least, on some other subjects, is more than passing strange.

As EVIDENCE of the injurious effect the Virginia debt question is having upon men as well as things in the State, the GAZETTE, two or three days ago, quoted from a Philadelphia newspaper the objections that paper urged to the appointment of a distinguished Virginian to the office of associate justice of the U. S. Supreme Court, because he hails from a State that is trying to repudiate a large portion of its public debt. That quotation was only a fair sample of what is said in the North on the subject referred to. But that the same ideas prevail in the South also, is shown by the following extract from a New Orleans paper: "Hopes are high in Virginia that the President will appoint to the vacancy on the supreme bench an ultra State's rights man, in order that there may be a reversal of the late decision by a majority of one in favor of the Virginia bondholders. But it is not likely that Cleveland will name a man in the interest of repudiation."

THE COLORED people of New Orleans did not participate in the ceremonies of the recent federal decoration day in that city, for the reason that they are denied admittance into the G. A. R. The color line is as marked among ex-Union as among ex-Confederate soldiers, in the North as in the South, in the church as in the ball room, and on the railroad cars as in the parlor. Distinctions made by God can not be obliterated by man.

MR. BLAINE declined an invitation to the O'Brien banquet in New York, and Mr. Sherman declined one to attend a meeting in Washington to thank Gladstone for his support of the Irish cause. These declinations indicate that the two rivals for the republican nomination for the next Presidency are not so friendly to the cause referred to, as has been supposed, or else are not desirous of making their friendliness conspicuous.

THE NATIONAL typographical convention now in session at Buffalo, New York, yes-

terday adopted a resolution endorsing the action of New York Union No. 6, protesting against the denunciation of the New York Sun by a clique of the knights of labor. This shows that the men who earn their living by the press are not silly enough to desire to destroy their means of support.

WE ARE indebted to Mr. John W. Avery, of this city, for an invitation to attend the commencement exercises at Richmond College on the 20th and 21st inst.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Special Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette.]

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 9, 1887.

It is understood here that some of the officers of the Richmond and Danville system of roads are so favorably impressed with the benefits that system would receive from the construction of the proposed Mineral Railroad from Strasburg to the coal fields of West Virginia, that they will advise the managers of their system to assist the charter parties of the proposed road, in making preliminary surveys thereof.

Parties from Westmoreland county, Va., here to day, say that the treatment of Col. Robert Mayo, of that county, received at Mt. Hope was so successful that the Colonel was cured by it in a short time of his recent temporary mental aberration, and that he has returned home perfectly restored, to the great relief of his anxious family, and to the gratification of his numerous friends and acquaintances not only in his own county, but throughout the entire State.

Among the arrivals here to day is that of the famous Rev. Samuel Smalls, of Georgia. He is on his way to Minneapolis, but will remain in this city two or three days. He hasn't yet said whether he will preach here or not.

The Atalanta, Mr. Jay Gould's yacht, sailed away this morning as unostentatiously as she arrived last Tuesday evening. A stock jobbing rumor to the effect that Mr. Gould had died here, was started yesterday evening. Mr. Gould looks to be in better health than usual. The officers of his yacht say they never know a day beforehand where they are going.

Through H. T. Runkhous, attorney, certain citizens of Hot Springs, N. C., have made a complaint to the inter-State commerce commission against the Western North Carolina division of the Richmond and Danville railroad and its connecting and leased line—the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia railroad. In his letter transmitting the complaint the attorney says he hopes it will be sufficient "to arm us with such a sword of defence as will enable us to successfully attack this hydra-headed monster." The complaint alleges that the railroad companies make unjust discriminations and evade the law by disingenuous devices, wherefore the complainants ask that the commission award to the Hot Springs \$1,000 damages and such other relief as it may see fit to grant. An affidavit signed by a committee of the Board of Trade of Hartwell, Ga., was also received requesting an enforcement of the fourth section of the law in the case of the Richmond and Danville railroad, and protesting that the present rates result in undue prejudice and disadvantage to that town. The commission will hear on Thursday next the case of the Chicago and Alton vs. the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

Green, the colored man who has just been dismissed from the signal service, was the only colored man in that service. His admission into it was strongly opposed by General Hazen, but was insisted upon by the Secretary of War. He was put in charge of the station at Pensacola, and the white sergeant there who refused to serve under him was court-martialed and reduced to the ranks. He was then sent to a Northern station, but when a negro gambling house there was raided by the police, he was found there.

It is reported among Virginians here that the President at one time did really think about ordering the vacant seat on the supreme bench to Mr. J. R. Tucker, of that State, but that he abandoned the idea as soon as he was informed that Mr. Tucker, when Attorney General of Virginia, before the war, had decided that the State authorities had the right to search the U. S. mails and suppress the New York Tribune and other newspapers that were at that time incendiary.

It is expected here that ex-President Jefferson Davis will be at Randolph Macon College commencement next week. Should that expectation be fulfilled many of his old friends here will avail themselves of that opportunity to see him, as Ashland is now only a few hours ride from this city. Judge Stuart of Alexandria, as is known, will deliver the oration there.

One of the finest looking men on Pennsylvania avenue to day was Rev. Dr. Bullock, formerly of Alexandria. The Doctor was wearing a soft, light colored, felt hat, and looked like a Southern Senator of the olden time, when the South sent her best and most distinguished men to the Senate. The Doctor is an old time democrat, and while he thinks the President is an honest and conscientious man, and withal a safe one for the country, he does not think he has attracted the love or will evoke the enthusiasm of his party, nor does he think that the democratic party is without plenty of other men, any one of whom would make just as safe a President, and none of whom could evoke less enthusiasm.

Mr. E. G. Hill, of North Carolina, who has been appointed consul to Montevideo, is here to day getting his instructions. Mr. Hill got his appointment through the influence of Senator Ransom, who, unlike his colleague, Senator Vance, is a strong administration man.

Mr. Corcoran's condition is without material change. He thinks, talks, eats, sleeps and walks as well as usual, but the loss of sensibility of one entire side of his body has not returned.

WILL HOLD ON.—Judge Wm. D. Kelley, of Philadelphia, the veteran Congressman, denies a statement to the effect that the Judge, "finding that the tobacco and malaria-laden air of the congressional halls seriously aggravates a throat affection to which he is subject, will remove to Aniston, Northern Alabama, as soon as his present term shall have expired." Judge Kelley says nothing could be further from his purposes than such a withdrawal, and by way of putting a final extinguisher on the hopes of any would-be Congressman in his district, he adds: "Humanity and consistency concur in requiring me to give notice to all whom it may concern that I am the only citizen of the fourth district who is thoroughly acclimated to the malarial atmosphere of the House, and that I mean to devote the balance of my life to saving any of my constituents from its baneful influence. It was with this philanthropic view that I some years ago notified a body of my constituents that I should, as long as I might live, be a candidate for re-nomination from the fourth district, unless I should be stricken with lunacy or paralysis."

Death of a Madman.

PITTSBURG, June 9.—Fred Hermann, the religious fanatic, who murdered his child, tried to kill his wife and then cut his own throat last Monday afternoon, died at the West Penn Hospital at 9:30 o'clock this morning. Mrs. Hermann's condition is still quite serious, but she will recover.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Prof. Hermann, the pre-digittateur, died at Caribbad yesterday, aged sixty-six.

Prohibition was defeated in Charlotte, N. C., Monday last by a majority of 40 in a vote of 1,532.

United States Senator elect Bodgett, of New Jersey, has had eleven babies named after him since his election.

Ex Senator E. H. Rollins has withdrawn from the senatorial canvass in New Hampshire, and will not be a candidate in the caucus. It is claimed that a majority of his supporters will go to Chandler.

The Pittsburg and Western Railroad was sold by the United States marshal in Pittsburg yesterday under order of court for \$1,000,000. It was purchased by parties interested in the reorganization scheme.

Among curious suggestions made for the celebration of the Queen's jubilee is the proposal that precisely at noon on June 21 private individuals should play on pianos or other instruments "Glad Save the Queen," and that all the bands of the Kingdom should publicly produce the national anthem.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Gov. Lee, General W. W. Averill and Generals Imboden and Jackson participated in the Confederate memorial exercises at Staunton to-day.

M. B. Farley, who shot George W. Garner, was before the mayor of Danville yesterday and waived examination. He was bailed in the sum of \$500.

In the Hustings Court of Danville yesterday Anthony Oliver was sentenced to the penitentiary for three years for breaking into a chicken-house, and three other men were sentenced to two years' imprisonment for the same offence.

Mr. Charles W. Patton, of Lynchburg, publishes a card in reply to the charges made by Sherman Bros., in which he says that the failure of the Lynchburg Virginia was due to their own mismanagement and not to any misrepresentation made by him.

The most notable society event of recent years in St. Clairsville, Ohio, was the marriage yesterday of Miss Jessie H. Chase, daughter of Joseph H. Chase, to J. J. Shirley, senior member of the firm of Shirley & Taylor, business men of Staunton. The presents were numerous and handsome. Mr. Robert O. Holiday, also of Staunton, was the best man.

A CAT AND THE SNAKES.—The ruins of the old Web barn, at the end of West Walnut street, which was set on fire by the Brimmer gang of fire bugs and burned down about five years ago, offers excellent harbor-ages for snakes, and the place now is literally overrun with them. Mr. Kautz, who now lives on the place, has killed a number, some of them being black and copperheads, a cat belonging to Mr. Jacob Pontz, just across the road, has brought several into his yard and deposited them in front of his door, when they were soon dispatched by Mr. Pontz.

One snake, measuring over by the feet, which was brought over by the cat, was found by a young son of Mr. Pontz, who took a stick to kill it, but on his approach the snake at once showed fight, and the boy concluded to call his father. Immediately on his retiring the cat commenced to purr, and the snake thrust its head between the folds of the coat and seemed to enjoy the cat's purring. The slightest advance, however, of Mr. Pontz would arouse the snake and cause it to assume a hostile attitude. The snake was finally killed, and since then it has been observed that the cat exerts the same power over those that have since been captured by it. The snakes make no effort whatever to escape from the cat, and Mr. Pontz says he can't understand how the cat managed to draw such big snakes across the road. It is remarkable that no one has been bitten, as the place is a general resort for the children in the neighborhood. A party of boys who crossed the place on Sunday found and killed four large snakes, all within a few feet of each other.—Lancaster Examiner.

A DWARF PEOPLE IN EUROPE.—Professor Maratta has made a remarkable anthropological discovery in the valley of Ribas, in the Eastern Pyrenees. In that district he found numerous groups of persons who are named by the other inhabitants "Nonos" (the dwarfs), and who never attained to a greater tallness than four feet. They are well built in body, have exceedingly small hands and feet, and are broad in the hips and shoulders. All have red hair. Their cheek bones are prominent; their chins are berriness, or they have at the most only a few soft hairs on the chin. The face is full, the skin pale and loose; it looks as if it had no muscles beneath it. The men and women are so like each other that only their dress betrays their sex. Many of them have swollen necks, got like leprosy, but this is possibly to be attributed to the water. The Nanos are constantly objects of the taunt and ridicule of the other inhabitants of the valley. They live as a separate people, marrying only amongst themselves, so that the race is preserved unique. Their intelligence is very low. They have no schooling, no means of bettering their existence, no one cumbering himself about them, and they lead a miserable existence. "Many of those whom I questioned," says Prof. Maratta, "could not even tell me where they lived. They had no conception of arithmetic. They were amiable in their manners, and seemed quite willing to learn something."

ANOTHER OPERATION ON THE CROWN PRINCE.—Dr. Morell Mackenzie, of London, yesterday performed a second operation upon the tumor in the Crown Prince's throat, and successfully removed another portion of the growth. There were present Professors Wegner, Bergman and other physicians, and the Crown Princess. Cocaine was used to deaden the sensation in the throat, so that the operation was almost painless. Professor Virehow will examine the portion removed and will report upon the same at a general consultation of the physicians to-morrow. The spirits of the Crown Prince were much raised by Dr. Mackenzie's assurance of a cure. The patient went out driving after the operation. He will go to London on Monday, accompanied by Dr. Wegner, the court physician, and Dr. Mackenzie, under whose care he will remain, either at Norwood or Weymouth, until a sufficient number of operations has been performed to prevent a regrowth of the tumor. He will then go to the Isle of Wight to recruit his health. The patient's appetite continues good, although he finds it difficult to swallow food.

Experiments are proving that coal as a fuel is fast being supplanted by coal-oil. Lake steamers have been run by coal-oil gas at a cost one sixth less than that incurred by the use of coal. One and a half barrels of crude petroleum have been found equivalent to two tons of coal. It is predicted that gas will be the fuel of the future.



TODAY'S TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

Foreign News.

BERLIN, June 9.—The Deutsches Tagblatt, says that Emperor William is suffering from neuralgic pains, to relieve which hypodermic injections of morphia have been resorted to.

The Post reviewing the situation concludes that Europe will enjoy a quiet summer. Herr Stobbe, the eminent German professor of law, is dead.

LONDON, June 9.—Dense fogs have prevailed in the Channel for the past week and the movements of steamers have been greatly interfered with. While a heavy fog was prevailing the British Steamer Castleford, which left Montreal May 26 for New Castle and London, went ashore off the Scilly Islands. She is in a bad position and it is believed will prove a wreck. Sailors are at work on her cargo. Fourteen bullocks have been landed from the steamer. All the cattle occupying pens between decks were drowned. The prospects of saving any considerable portion of the cargo are bad.

The German bark Elisa, captain Fretwurst, from Wilmington, N. C., April 20 for London, was picked up in the Channel and towed to Dungeness where she sank. It is supposed she was damaged by a collision. Nothing is known of her crew.

The Earl of Winchelsea and Nottingham is dead. He was 72 years old.

The cabinet held a meeting to-day lasting an hour and fifty minutes. The subjects discussed were the speeches made by Michael Davitt in Ireland during the past fortnight, in which he counselled tenants to resist eviction by all the means at their command, and the report of Col. Sir Joseph Ridgway on the progress of the Afghan boundary commission's work.

DUBLIN, June 9.—United Ireland, Mr. Parnell's organ, urges the Irish people to further patience. It denounces those men who advocate retaliation for the oppression of the Irish and says that such a course would undo the work Mr. Parnell had accomplished during a decade of terrible years and the work to which Mr. Gladstone was devoting the evening of his life.

The Apache Outbreak.

NOGALES, A. T., June 9.—The Indian outbreak in this territory is assuming serious proportions. The widespread depredations indicate that there are many more than 17 bucks, as at first reported, on the war path. The whole country is fired with excitement, and it is feared parties will organize to visit the San Carlos reservation. In such an event there will be great slaughter. Advice is coming from all directions of outrages. Word comes from W. E. Leek, of Crittenden, that he and two others were aroused yesterday morning by several rifle shots and found they were surrounded by Indians. Mike Grace, one of the party, an old pioneer and a highly esteemed and prominent citizen of Arizona Territory, was killed. The other two made their escape through a canon, pursued by the savages. The people of Crittenden appealed to the station agent at Nogales "for God's sake send us aid." In fifteen minutes a special train had soldiers on board in charge of Capt. Lee. A portion of the command under Capt. Nutt is on the trail of the hostiles. A courier reports that he ran into a party of Indians and is now chasing them over the hills. They seem to be making for the Patagonia mountains, and it is quite evident that the hostiles intend to reach the Sierra Madre mountains. A telegram from Calabasas to the Chief of Police at Nogales says the Indians fired upon McCulloch's ranch and are on their way south. Another party, it is reported, pushed southwest of Calabasas. Juan Cenecho, Commandant of Magdalena, has 25 mounted men who leave to-day to try and intercept the Indians at the principal passes along the International line. Frank Wallace, of the Sonora Land Company, arrived from the Montezuma district yesterday, and reports that all settlers along the route who are likely to be exposed have been notified by Governor Torres that the Indians are out.

TUCSON, A. T., June 9.—Word was received here yesterday morning of the killing of Mike Grace and the narrow escape of Billy Williams and Billy Lee from two Apaches at Tompova Gulch, 85 miles south of Crittenden. The Indians evidently separated in parties, one of which is already in Mexico. Their signal fires were seen in the Santa Rita mountains Monday night. Lieut. Johnson has orders to pursue them even into Mexico. The Indians are probably now between his troops and Capt. Lawton's. Troops of picked men left Fort Apache Tuesday night to try and head off the hostiles, who were seen in the Santa Ritas Monday evening. Mike Grace, who was killed last evening, is a brother of ex Mayor Grace, of New York.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—No information has been received at the War Department in regard to the recent outbreak in Arizona beyond the fact that 30 Apaches have left their reservation and that Captain Lawton is in pursuit of them with four troops of cavalry.

A Colored Murderer.

HANNIBAL, Mo., June 9.—Some time ago Lincoln Cook and his wife (colored) separated. Mrs. Cook went to the house of her brother, Carter Jackson, to live, taking with her the little child. Yesterday Cook went to Jackson's house and wanted to take away the child, but the mother picked it up and was running away with it in her arms, when Cook fired at her with a revolver, the ball passing through her arm and imbedding itself in her breast. Carter Jackson then knocked the weapon out of Cook's hand, and a desperate encounter took place between the two men. Cook overpowered his antagonist and again seizing the revolver discharged the contents into Jackson. The first ball struck him in the head and

he expired instantly. The murderer gave himself up to the authorities. Mrs. Cook will recover.

Regatta.

NEW YORK, June 9, 10 a. m.—This is the day set for the annual regatta of the New York Yacht Club. It is almost a dead calm at Owl's Head, where the start is to be made. At Sandy Hook the wind blows only five miles per hour from the west-northwest. The sky is clear, but it is hazy off shore with a smooth sea. The prospects for a good race to-day are diminishing, as the wind has been steadily going down all the morning. At 7 a. m. the wind was blowing 14 miles an hour from the west.

The yachts started at 12:45 p. m. They all crossed the line in a heap. The Atlantic soon took the lead. She passed out the Narrows at 1 p. m. The wind is still light.

Factory Inspectors.

PHILADELPHIA, June 9.—The sixteen delegates to the national convention of factory inspectors reassembled this morning in the chamber of the common council and spent several hours in the discussion of questions affecting the welfare of the working classes. It was decided to hold the next convention in Boston at a time to be fixed by the officers of the organization. Resolutions were adopted defining the duties of factory inspectors to be: First—To prevent the employment of young children in work unfitted for their age and strength, and to secure their attendance at school.

Bankers' Association.

NEW YORK, June 9.—Mr. George Marsland, secretary of the American Bankers' Association, furnishes the following information in regard to the annual convention: The association received invitations to hold the convention at Cincinnati, St. Louis, Niagara Falls and other cities. The first invitation, however, came from Pittsburg. It has been decided, therefore, that the convention shall be held at Pittsburg on the 12th and 13th of next October. Every banking firm, State bank, national bank, trust company and savings bank in the United States is entitled to send one delegate.

Matrimonial.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., June 9.—Katharine Barnes, adopted daughter of Col. James R. Barnes, member of Congress from this district, was married last evening to Elias S. Gatch. Telegrams of congratulation were received from President Cleveland, Congressman Randall, Senators Ingalls, Vest and Cockrell, Governor Hill, Judge Hooley, Jas. G. Carlisle, Frank H. Cock and numerous others. Over five thousand invitations were sent out and the affair was unrivalled in matrimonial annals in the Missouri Valley. Mrs. Barnes has been a society belle for three years, and her husband is a millionaire grain dealer.

Conspiracy Discovered.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., June 9.—The Kansas City cable railroad company has discovered a conspiracy among conductors to "knock down" fares. H. C. Jilson, a discharged gripman, discovered the combination of the bell-punches, and rented a room near the line of the road and where the conductors took their meals. They would punch slips until perhaps 100 were registered after which they would simply ring the bell. They would then take the punches to Jilson, who would open them and make them correspond with the slip. Six conductors confessed and were discharged yesterday. Jilson has fled.

Trouble Still Existing.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., June 9.—A dispatch from the Choctaw nation says the troubles in Towson county are by no means adjusted. Governor McKinney is on the ground and expects to allay the excitement. It is said that a pardon will be granted to all the men, half breeds and full bloods, who are now under arms, provided they disband. The governor is determined to restore peace, at whatever cost. The friends of the Wilsons and Jacobs are still turbulent, and the lives of many persons have been threatened. Since May 10, several persons have been killed and many have left the country.

Steamer Aground.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., June 9.—The steamer Nonowantuck, which left here at 11:30 last night for Port Jefferson, with a large excursion that had come over to see Barnum's circus, ran ashore in the lower harbor on account of the dense fog that prevailed. Her passengers were compelled to remain aboard until 8 o'clock this morning, when they were taken off by the steamer Annie. The disabled boat lies high and dry at low water. Fortunately the weather was calm, otherwise a great loss of life would probably have followed.

Chiefs of Labor Bureaus.

MADISON, Wis., June 9.—The fifth national convention of the Chiefs of Labor Bureaus is being held in a summer resort on the east shore of Lake Monona, with twenty chiefs in attendance. Carroll D. Wright is president of the Association. The association determined to meet next year at Indianapolis and re-elected Carroll D. Wright president, Frank A. Flower, of Madison, vice-president, and E. R. Hutchins, of Des Moines, secretary.

Personal.

WASHINGTON, June 9.—Secretary Whitney and party went to Annapolis to-day. LANCASTER, Pa., June 9.—Col. James Duffy entertained the Pennsylvania Farmers' Club at his park at Marietta this afternoon. Among the guests were General Simon Cameron, Senator J. Donald Cameron, G. W. B. Roberts, G. P. Wilbur, Judge Biddle, Wayne MacVeach and Larry Jerome.

Sentenced to be Hanged.

NEW YORK, June 9.—Adolph Reich, who murdered his wife, was to-day sentenced by Recorder Smyth to be hanged July 29. A motion for a new trial was denied.

Dr. Pierce's "Favorite Prescription" is the celebrated woman's best restorative tonic.

THE LATEST DRESS.—"No, I do not own a petticoat," said a woman attired pleasingly in a costume of handsome black moire and lace of no unfashionable impression.

The dress was made upon a gown form with waist and skirt in one piece, to secure even support of the weight from different parts of the body. The silk was laid on this foundation in deep box pleatings to form the drapery of the skirt. A full mass of lace beginning at the upper part of the waist hung loosely until reaching below the waist line, being thence gathered back at either side a little lower than the hip in the form of light folds ending in a modest style of drapery at the back, undisturbed by any artificial mechanism beneath. In harmony with the fashionable arrangement of fancy sleeve, the upper portion of that feature of the frock was draped in lace, the wrist being finished with a little lace cuff turned neatly back.

A soft ruche of lace encircled the back of the neck of the wearer, with a mosaic brooch fastening the front of the waist—the only ornament worn. The shining brown hair was arranged in curling masses above an attractive face, so beautifully attractive as to create a wonder whether the dress had any grace of its own or owed all to the wearer.

The not very delightful name of leglettes is given to the garments worn in lieu of the petticoat with this costume, the whole being conceived as representing dress reform. This is made of surah silk, or wool, or other fabric, according to taste or fancy; its form is like that of Turkish trousers. A jersey-fitting garment is worn next to the body, which it covers from neck to ankle, fitting every part with perfect smoothness. A style favored by reformers is in flash color of a costly grade of silk. It has been affirmed by eye witnesses among the reformers themselves that "a woman is a perfect vision of loveliness" when so arrayed.

Over this covering, which fits the perfect shape of the body while yielding to every movement, comes a combination linen garment, designated the chemiselette. This also fits the body smoothly, in the form of waist and drawers in one piece, without binding or band, which does not prevent its adornment with lace and ribbons. The combination undergarment is not a novelty. The distinctive feature of the system is formed by the leglettes as worn beneath a long skirt, by which they are concealed. As the talk is of restoring the human figure to its "primeval shape" the corset is not admitted. With intelligent direction artistic effects are not incompatible with the style as already shown.

Old Terrapin.

To the editor of the Alexandria Gazette: I occasionally see in the papers mention made of very old land terrapins found, as indicated by dates upon the shell, and a few days ago one in the GAZETTE from the Shenandoah Herald about a terrapin that was 30 years old, so I will tell you my terrapin story, which will put all of them in the shade that I have yet seen. During my boyhood days I lived in a Northern state upon the same farm my grandfather had lived on, and about the year 1848 I found an old, battle scarred, weather beaten terrapin with my grandfather's initials and the date 1797 cut in the shell, with my father's initials cut below and the date 1836. There was a little room left and I cut mine there with the date of the time, and I heard of that same terrapin being seen there after I had left the place some ten years later, so that venerable reptile was about 60 years old when last seen, dating from the time of the first inscription, and there is no telling how many moons had passed over his head when he was first found and marked.

Accotink, Va., June 7. W. G. THE TYPOGRAPHICAL CONVENTION.—At yesterday morning's session of the International Typographical Union Convention at Buffalo, a resolution was adopted that an inquiry be at once made into the usefulness of the officer known as "chief organizer." From statements made it appears that this individual receives several thousand dollars a year in the way of salary, perquisites, &c. At the afternoon session, however, D. P. Boyer, of New York, was re-elected to that position. Considerable business of a local nature was transacted, and a resolution appointing a committee to inquire into female cheap labor was adopted. The convention will meet next year in Kansas City, Mo.

Beaver Falls, Pa., has an electric young woman who is so highly charged with electricity that a hairpin which she wore in her head all day was magnetized enough to hold 69 needles by their points. When the young woman's hair is stroked in the dark it emits sparks, and to touch her is to receive a shock as from a magnetic battery.

It is reported that Deacon George White, of Seymour, Ind., has been expelled from his church on account of his extremely liberal views. He boldly declares that he believes the world is a million years old, and that, as likely as not, it will last for another million before the judgment day.

We accidentally overheard the following dialogue on the street yesterday.

Jones. Smith, why don't you stop that disgusting hawking and spitting.

Smith. How can I? You know I am a martyr to catarrh.

J. Do as I did. I had the disease in its worst form but I am well now.

S. What did you do for it?

J. I used Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy. It cured me and it will cure you.

S. I've heard of it, and by Jove I'll try it.

J. Do so. You'll find it at all the drug stores in town.

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